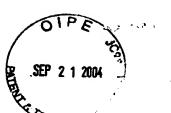
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Applicants:

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NON-AQUEOUS SECONDARY BATTERY HAVING NEGATIVE

ELECTRODE INCLUDING GRAPHITE POWDER

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

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Sir:

In the matter of the above-identified application, Applicants hereby respectfully petition for an extension of time to permit filing a response within the second month subsequent to expiration of the shortened statutory period set in the outstanding Office Action mailed April 21, 2004. A Credit Card Payment Form including the amount of \$310.00 to cover the required fee for the requested extension of time is attached hereto. (The first months' extension was previously paid, concurrently with the filing of the Request For Reconsideration filed on July 26, 2004.)

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